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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Bates:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated October 20, 2008, having a shortened statutory period expiring on January 20, 2009. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

A current Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings are presented in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

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